

# Deaf-Mutes' Journal

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## FANWOOD

The one hundred and seventeenth school year at Fanwood started on Tuesday morning, September 11th, and some three hundred pupils came trooping back after the long vacation of nearly three months. Bronzed skins of most of them showed the good times they had; and their happy faces testified to their eagerness to get back.

The teachers and officers were also on hand, and a meeting was held Tuesday afternoon, at which Superintendent Skyberg greeted all and introduced the new additions to the staff. They are Dan Pratt Tucker, Charles R. Gruber, Wilbur L. Tyrrell, Albert W. Swinyard, and Emma Corneliusen. Another new name on the list is that of Lenore W. Grubert, but she was Miss Martin, our Art teacher.

Resignations during the summer were Mrs. R. Van M. Dedrick, Mrs. A. L. Phillips, Miss Katherine Walton and Miss Anna Hoagland.

Additions to the girls supervising department include Harriet Johnston and Emma Hoagland.

Mr. Skyberg also outlined the plans and schedules for the coming year. In conformity with plans of having Fanwood specialize in vocational training, courses in Auto Mechanics, Sheet Metal, Household Mechanics, Electricity and Baking have been added to the curriculum.

About forty new pupils have been transferred here from the Westchester and Lexington Avenues, while we sent a like number to them.

On Wednesday morning the whole school assembled in the chapel, where Supt. Skyberg welcomed the pupils and complimented them on their prompt return and hoped they would show the same zeal throughout the school year. After outlining the school schedules under the new arrangement of vocational training, the classification of pupils was arranged, classes assigned to their rooms and teachers, and in the afternoon the school sessions began in earnest.

The morning classes start at 8:45 o'clock and are divided into four 45-minute periods until 11:45. The afternoon schedule is from one to 3:15 for academic classes and from one to four o'clock for vocational classes, also divided into four periods of 45 minutes each.

While the ever-necessary minor alterations were made around the school during the summer, two major ones completed were the removal of several small rooms on the boys dormitory floor to make larger sleeping quarters, and the altering of an old hospital ward in another building into rooms for the ones removed elsewhere.

Three larger rooms in the basement of the Academic Building which have been used for years as locker rooms, were changed into classrooms for the new Vocational courses. This in itself was a big project, necessitating the removal of all the wooden lockers, partitions and floors as well as floor beams. The partitions were masonry three feet thick, and the floor and beams were interesting examples of the heavy construction material used years ago when everything was plentiful. With the flooring removed, the ground was again exposed to light after some eighty years, revealing a jutting ledge of stone, showing that the school building is actually as well as literally built on a foundation of solid rock.

The ground was filled in with cinders several feet deep until proper height was attained, and then a thick floor of solid concrete was laid down. New plumbing, heating and lighting fixtures were installed, and the whole

presents a vastly different section than it was last June.

The school directory for the year is as follows:—

### ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

VICTOR O. SKYBERG, M.A.  
Superintendent

George H. Davis, Steward  
Mary E. Stockbower, Secretary  
Elsie Pentreath, Assistant  
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Amelia A. Berry, Principal, Primary and Intermediate Departments.

### PROFESSORS

Edmund B. Boatner, M.A.  
Edward S. Burdick  
Dan Pratt Tucker

### TEACHERS

Elizabeth Bost, B.S., Mary M. Burke, Madge Dolph, Kathrin B. Forsythe, Katherine S. Harrington, Alice E. Judge, Ruth G. M. Iles, Maud H. Nies, Maude G. Nurk, M.A., Cecelia E. Otis, Sarah E. Scofield, Janet H. Swart, Alice M. Teegarden, M.A., Mayme H. Voorhees, Edith A. H. Watson, Alan B. Crammatte, A.B., Assistant.

Louise E. Cornell, in charge Dept. of Eurythmics and Auricular Training.

Elizabeth Robinson, Piano Accompanist  
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Edmund B. Boatner, M.A., Principal, Boys Classes

Grace E. Peck, Principal, Girls Classes

### INSTRUCTORS

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James T. Garrick, Assistant  
Joseph Sosidka, Carpentry  
John E. Armstrong, Sign Painting  
Walter Dittmar, House Painting  
Charles R. Gruber, Auto Mechanics and Sheet Metal

Wilbur L. Tyrrell, Household Mechanics and Electricity

Albert W. Swinyard, Baking

Grace E. Peck, Cooking

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Mildred Altenderfer, Assistant

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Edward H. Rogers, M.D., Attending Physician

Edwin W. Nies, D.D.S., Dentist

Chas. A. Reudolph, M.C.P., Consulting Chiropodist

Louise Vallis, R.N., Head Nurse

Lillian Becker, Assistant

Jennie Logan, Assistant

Mabel Watson, Assistant

### THE HOUSEHOLD

Mary B. Young, B.S., Dietitian

Muriel Woolnough, Assistant

Jane C. Nolen, House Matron

Carrie M. Eiler, Agnes Craig, Maud Casey, Betty Volpe, Assistants.

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Ion Bukoff, Carpenter

### MILITARY DEPARTMENT

Major C. Chester Altenderfer, Instructor in Military Tactics and House Master of Boys

Capt. William H. Edwards, Instructor in Band and Field Music

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### PHYSICAL TRAINING

Mayme H. Voorhees, Physical Directress and Girls Coach. Emma Corneliusen, B.S., Assistant.

Frank T. Lux, Physical Director and Boys Coach

### GIRLS DEPARTMENT

Mary Muirhead, House Mother of Girls

### SUPERVISORS

Florence Bodman, Emma Hoagland, Bertha Hunter, Annie M. Kramer.

### BOYS KINDERGARTEN DEPT.

Izora Roush, House Mother of Kindergarten Boys

### SUPERVISORS

Mary M. Grove, Helen McCurdy, Florence F. Murphy.

### NIGHT SUPERVISORS

Allen Randel, George Ellis, Margaret Killoyne, Harriett Johnston, Thomas Wallace.

## NEW YORK CITY

### EPHPHETA SOCIETY NOTES

Joseph McInerney, aged 62, died suddenly last Wednesday at his home in Richmond Hill. He had been in ill health for some time. For nearly forty years he had been employed in the Scribner's bindery, until a few years ago when he retired. He had since his graduation from St. Joseph's been an enthusiastic supporter of Ephpheta Society and its allied works, always ready with his purse to help all movements along. He had been a bachelor. Burial was on Friday.

The society will have its meeting this Thursday, having been postponed from last Tuesday because of the holidays.

Sunday, the 16th, will see the first of the Fall social affairs come off. It will be a Mardi Gras and under the chairmanship of Irene Gallagher, who, as one of the Dundon sisters, is famous for always having a plentifully large bag of games held in abeyance, which assures participants, as well as spectators, one grand round of fun. She will be aided in the fun-making by Paul DiAnno, who is also equally known for fun-provoking games. And with Molly Higgins as the supervising chairman, the good time is doubly assured. The hall is at 248 West 14th Street, just fifty steps from the exit of the Eighth Avenue Subway. This particular exit is one of four on each corner of the intersection, and can be reached on foot from the Jersey Tubes or the Seventh Avenue Subway by the 14th Street tunnel extending all the way. The B.-M.T. line also has its terminus at this station.

After debating a return to Greenwich Village, the scenes of his boyhood, President Fives has decided to make Washington Heights his address, for the next year at least, so will move his family to an apartment on 170th Street at the end of the month. This is in deference to his little Anita Marie, who wants to matriculate at one of the schools there.

The fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Clousner, was celebrated at their home, 45 Hegeman Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday evening, September 8th. Mr. Julius Wingard arranged for the celebration, and it was somewhat of a surprise to the honored guests, who received as gift a very pretty parlor lamp. Mr. Wingard delivered the presentation address before giving the gift. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Calman Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kroll, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Seaman, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Goodstein, Messrs. Julius Wingard, Al. Cohen, Harry Kurz, Harry Blechner and George Sherman.

Parlor games were played, but the chief thing of the evening was relating reminiscences of the past, even before the happy couple were married. Fine refreshments were served and all enjoyed the occasion very much.

Over in Jersey City, Clover Girls' Club held a monthly meeting recently at the home of Theresa Lenhoff. New officers elected were as follows: Margaret Kliun, president; Goldie Aronson, secretary; Ida DeLaura, treasurer (re-elected); Marie Lotz, trustee. After the meeting "500" was played. Refreshments were served. The next card social will held at the home of Margaret Kliun.

Mr. Benjamin Elkin is resting comfortably at the Eye Institute of the Presbyterian Hospital after a successful operation on his right eye for removal of a cataract.

On September 8th, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rooney celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary at their apartment in Jackson Heights, L. I. There were about twenty-three guests attending. Supper was served, after which complimentary. Speeches were made to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rooney, who were the recipient of many nice gifts. All enjoyed the celebration very much.

The four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Baca was hit by a delivery truck last week. He was rushed to a nearby hospital, where a thorough examination revealed he was not seriously hurt, other than a lacerated scalp.

Among the passengers on the steamer "Morro Castle," whose pleasure cruise came to such a tragic end, was one deaf woman—Mrs. Edna Von Pollnitz of Woodhaven, L. I. Her many friends were much relieved to note her name on the list of survivors published in the daily papers the next day.

After spending a few days and celebrating her birthday in Stamford, Conn., with cousins, Miss Willia Gantt returned home last week, in time to be the godmother of Margaret Ruth, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thompson. Mr. Thompson is a Fanwoodite and Mrs. Thompson comes from the Mt. Airy School.

Heimo Antilla, Gallaudet '34, who hails from Massachusetts, has been in town the past few days hailing all his college buddies in this vicinity, preparatory to leaving for Washington, D. C. to assume his duties at the Kendall Green School.

New York City has a fortunate acquisition to its social register in Miss Emma Corneliusen, of Minnesota, who has accepted a position at the Fanwood School. She is a graduate of Gallaudet College 1934; has a pleasant disposition and charming personality.

A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. James T. Garrick, of Brooklyn, on Thursday morning, September 6th. The newcomer is named Peggy Ann. The proud parents both are graduates of Fanwood.

Mr. Ernest W. Corbridge, of 12 Swan Street, Schenectady, N. Y., is an experienced barber and is anxious to locate in New York City or New Jersey, if there is a position open to him.

Mrs. Joseph Graham was a visitor at Asbury Park, N. J., staying with her sister, and had a royal time there.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beuermann have returned to their domicile on Central Park West after spending six weeks at Pathcogue, L. I.

The Lutheran Guild for the Deaf had their annual picnic last July at Forest Park picnic ground, No. 6. There was a large crowd, with quite a few who were in New York for the convention. Mr. Walter Weisenstein was the general chairman. Out-of-town visitors were Miss Helen Warsaw of Detroit, Mich.; Victor A. Parson, of Wakefield, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. M. Voight, of Cedarhurst, L. I., and Mr. Rehem and daughter, of Rosedale, L. I. The gate prize went to Clarence Peterson, which was a beautiful bridge lamp. There were games a plenty, and beauty contests for women as well as men, Mrs. Ben Ash taking the ladies contest and William Becker the men's. The baby contest was won by Mabel Weisenstein. On the whole, it was a very enjoyable gathering. The Lutheran Guild will have another affair on November 3d. Watch for adv. in the JOURNAL.



## CHICAGOLAND

### ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

By J. Frederick Meagher

The best—and worst—alumni and state conventions in history were the affairs held at "Flick's parish-house" the last of August. The best in point of snap-into-it and step-on-the-gas business-sessions; the worst in the total absence of social or recreational side-shows.

Where the last "triennial" alumni gathering took place just five years ago, and occupied four days, this triennial "triennial" was slap-dashed off in just one night. Where the average state conventions are spread over three to six days, this was greased through the chutes in just two nights. *Sic transit gloria conventio.*

To be sure, a huge "midget-smoker" competed with the New York "giant frat smoker." That ran smoothly. And to be sure, there were two days devoted afterwards to social gatherings. And, like New York, these last two days were complete wash-outs, due to climatic conditions. Old Jupiter Pluvius "washed them out." After three stifling days of perfect weather, with all of us sweltering in the hall, the therm had to suddenly go haywire just when we put our virginial trust therein.

President August Rodenberger convened the fourteenth "triennial" reunion of Illinois Alumni at 7:50 Wednesday evening, August 29th. Although no alumni reunion had occurred in five years, he insisted this "triennial" gathering was a "special assembly, hence no election of officers was permitted. There was some wonderment—but the ruling held, and when the alumni convene by invitation of Supt. Dan. T. Cloud, at the school next fall, the three-year terms will have survived just six years.

A comic-relief came with reading minutes of the last reunion, one feature being a paper on "Present Industrial Situation of the Deaf, and How to Remedy It." This, mind you, two months before the Wall Street crash of 1929 started the depression. The situation has been "remedied" since—but not in the way we hoped.

President Rodenberger's address stressed the fact that the Department of Welfare finds jobs for paroled convicts; and as our school is under the same management, it may be possible the department may be able to find industrial placement for deaf pupils on graduation. A gem of an idea.

Managing Officer Cloud then released red-hot news. He announced the state notified him two days before that our school has been granted \$310,000 worth of new buildings! \$180,000 for a new dormitory—finest in the land; \$79,000 for a classroom wing; \$51,000 for a tunnel system and new stack. Architect's plans for the new building were displayed—revealing ultra-modern features. This in addition to extensive repairs and new dormitories already under construction. Although the Illinois enrollment "tops" for deaf schools—659 pupils—he already has over 80 applications for admission of new pupils.

The reports of the treasurer were somewhat jumbled—as most of the money had been in two closed banks. Necrological reports revealed seventeen deceased alumni. A warm debate arose over the resolution calling for larger range of vocational teaching. Ed Garrett was outspoken in dwelling on the folly of recommending instruction in typing, auto-driving, etc. "We can teach 'em—but they can't get jobs," he summed up. A census revealed only one deaf chauffeur out of some 5,000 silents in Greater Chicago—Forrest Hoffman, who drives for a wealthy family.

The opening meeting of the state association occurred the next night—President G. F. Flick and Secretary Grace Lord, of Peoria, presiding. Minutes dispensed with—as they had been printed. Interesting addresses delivered by Supt. Dan Cloud; Pres. A. L. Roberts of the Frats; Kreigh B. Ayers of Ohio; and President Flick.

Supt. Cloud's speech gave interesting statistics, one point being that five years ago Illinois had 416 pupils with per capita cost of \$970.85; last year 625 pupils at \$607.53 per capita—this year's rate for the 659 children not yet released by Springfield.

Mr. A. L. Robert told how the frats started as a social organization mainly—and became Big Business by sheer force of circumstances. Has disbursed close to \$900,000 in benefits and principals in its thirty-three years of existence; now has 7,200 members.

Akron's Ayers—just free from a ten-year tenure as president of the Ohio state organization—gave practical explanations of why employers prefer 100 per cent. perfect workmen instead of us deaf. Also this: "Fifteen years ago Akron turned out 30,000 tires daily with 30,000 men, at \$50 per tire or so; wages \$10 to \$15 per day. Now Akron turns out 65,000 tires with 12,000 men, selling around \$7 per; wages some \$6 per day."

Rev. Flick stated only some \$22,100 of the \$41,400 in the Endowment Fund was paying interest, or available. Securities totaling \$19,300 defaulted. The board had to sell some bonds in this fund for running expenses, as only 66 Illini kept their annual dues paid-up. Something must be done, or the Home must be abandoned.

The Rev. F. J. Hasenstab, president of the Board of Managers of the Home for Aged Deaf, gave his detailed report. "It's your Home—you have to raise the money somewhere. Our Board was appointed to manage the Home—not to raise the funds." Ben Frank, treasurer of the Board, gave his report, as did Mrs. Rosa Ursin, chairman of the committee on revision of laws.

A warm message from the new president of the National Association of the Deaf, Marcus Kenner of New York, offering full cooperation in all matters, drew tremendous applause.

The second and closing session of the State Association was run off Friday night, the last of August. Changes in the laws took some time—one change alone being debated nearly two hours—the section relating to method of selecting the Board of Managers of the Home for Aged Deaf. After politicians pussy-footed all over the range without having the nerve to get down to brass tacks, the proposed change from appointment to election by ballot at conventions was defeated, 35 to 26.

The Home now being in the midst of the colored colony, it was voted to authorize the new directors to select a committee to arrange for desirable transfer of location. Resolutions adopted endorsed the past and present superintendents of the Home—Mesdames Mabel Hyman and Ann Paddock. A lot of NAD resolutions were adopted bodily, unread—giving proper credit to their source. Peoria was selected as the locale of the 1937 convention, with boisterous acclaim. Election results:

President, the Rev. Henry Rutherford, Chicago; First Vice-President, Peter Livshis, Chicago; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Daisy Fawcner, Jacksonville; Secretary, Mrs. Grace Lord, Peoria; Treasurer, Charles Sharpnack, Chicago. The last two were the only holdovers.

Dues of new members were deflated to fifty cents per year. More small changes in rules and regulations kept arising to defer final adjournment. Fremont Offerlee spoke in behalf of his Kansas City 1935 frat convention, and got a big hand. Endless announcements and speeches made a big parade. Final adjournment came at 11:35 P.M. Not a single social gathering—dance, banquet, or other gab-fest. Not even a local committee. The retiring president, Rev. G. T. Flick, was his own whole local committee, and pared expenses to the bone. Considering the meager material he had to work with, friend Flick put it over in grand style.

The next night, Saturday, saw about 300 fraters attending the joint smoker of divisions Number One and

Chi-oral-106. Eighteen luckless lads treaded the Sands of Sahara (and if that kid in the JOURNAL office misspells this "Sara," I'm gonna be up on charges for revealing frat secrets again.) The rest of the folks, mainly the ladies, played cards and made merry in the parish house.

Sunday came the big outing—free treat to the World's Fair for convention badge-wearers. This was arranged through the persistent efforts of Robey Burns of the state school. Guide Rogers Crocker handed out four free concession tickets to each badge-wearer passing through Gate 14 between the hours of ten and two. Two tickets to the Sky Ride, one to the Lincolnania exhibits, and one to Wings of a Century. Alas! Like the NAD in New York, the last day saw pleasant weather change to dreary drizzles, and about all the 300 Fairers fared forth to get, were wet feet and sore throats. At that, there was little grumbling.

The week-end holiday closed on Monday with the annual Labor Day picnic at Polonia Grove—of course, the Sunday rain continued. About 160 people showed up as rain fans by 4:30 P.M. However, a little after, about 80 left. The musicians that were to play in the dancing pavilion in the evening were dismissed, empty-handed. The only visible sign of success was the Hamburger stand. It did a rushing business and drew \$33 or thereabouts, which pulled the picnic to the stage of breaking even.

Three visitors came from Washington State—John Temus, of Tacoma, Frank Morrissey, of Seattle, and Mrs. Louis Divine, of Vancouver. The latter was enroute home after a summer in the East. Miss Mary Bubnash, of Great Falls, Mont., ranked next for distance traveled.

Four from South Carolina—Alex Rosen and wife, with Misses Lena Parrott and Lynda Poole. Miss Nora Nanney, Oklahoma; Mrs. C. C. Colby, of Washington, D. C.—the vice-president of the Pen-Pushers; Louis Burns, of North Dakota; and Byron Burns, of South Dakota, also rung up big mileage totals to attend.

Louis Kieffer and wife brought Leo Zielinski and Miss Margaret Mitch from Pittsburgh. Francis Xavier Zitnik and Kreigh Ayers came from Akron; John Bov and Dr. Arthur Clancey from Cincinnati. Mrs. Frank Redington from Springfield, O. Mrs. Elizabeth Stremmel, Max Green and Leo Otremba from Toledo.

The Carl Parks, of Flint, and the following from Detroit: the Benjamin Beavers, Bill Brehndts, Roy Lynches, Bob Bairds, Leo Goldsticks. From South Bend, Ind., came Miss Mildred Lauber and Mrs. Albert Micer. The great Frederick Neesam brought his wife from Delavan, Wis. Art Hanson brought his wife from Madison, and Bill Egan came from Avoca, Wis. Arthur Leisman brought over a dozen from Milwaukee.

B. F. Jackson, Stanley Bondick, Miss Kate Giacherio and Mrs. Swan Williams came from Rockford. Karl Niklaus from Mt. Morris. Mrs. Lord and "Cy" Cunningham from Peoria. Misses Dorothy Hart and Vivian Everts from Rockford. From Jacksonville came Supt. Dan Cloud, Robey Burns, Cholly Marshall, Frederick Fancher, Jean Masserang, Mrs. Frederick Fawcner, Charles Sellers, August Rodenberger, and Mrs. O. M. Olson and son, Fred.

3811 W. Harrison St.

### St. Matthew's Lutheran Mission for the Deaf

ARTHUR BOLL, Pastor

192 Hewes Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Services for the deaf in sign-language every Sunday afternoon in the church, 177 South 9th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., at 3 P.M. The church is located near the Plaza of the Williamsburg Bridge on South 9th Street, between Driggs Avenue and Roebing Street. Marcy Avenue is the nearest station on the Broadway Elevated.

Sunday School for the Deaf and instruction for adults in St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish House, at 145th and Convent Avenue, New York City, from 6:30 to 8 P.M.

## West Virginia

The eighth triennial convention of the West Virginia Association of the Deaf was held at Huntington, the metropolis of the State, August 31st to September 3d, and, to the surprise of all, was largely attended; not a few coming from distant places. Naturally it was largely a get-together gathering, even though there were distinguished persons on hand to speak before the convention.

The local committee, headed by Mrs. D. J. Biagi, had been on needles and pins, striving to make the convention a success. Now that it is all over, the committee feels it has been amply rewarded.

R. Nevil Marshall, of Parkersburg, presided throughout the convention. Grover Cleveland Burcham had charge of hotel accommodations and the informal banquet. Mrs. Samuel McCarthy was the able chairman of the outing at Camden Park.

The Mayor of Huntington, through his representative, welcomed the delegates to the city and showed himself sincere in wanting to get in close touch with the silent citizens of his city.

One of the best addresses was delivered by Hon. J. Pat Beaconi, a member of the House of Representatives, who engineered the model automobile law favoring deaf drivers.

Dr. A. E. Krause, superintendent of the school at Romney, was on hand and proved himself a friend of the deaf by his able address, proving his open mindedness by being no stickler to any one method of instruction at the school.

Addresses were made by former Superintendent Burdette and Hon. Fred V. Perry, one of the ablest attorneys in the State, he being at present a candidate for the House of Representatives. If he is elected, which is a foregone conclusion, he will be another friend at court.

The "banquet" was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. The hotel people did everything they could to make the occasion one never to be forgotten. The toasts were something many had not heard before.

Religious services, conducted by the general missionary, Rev. H. L. Tracy, were largely attended at Trinity Episcopal Church. The offering went to the Re-inforcement Fund of the Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf.

The outing at Camden Park was thoroughly enjoyed. William Stewart, of Pittsburgh, engineered the various games, much to the pleasure of all.

The usual number of resolutions was passed on the final day of the convention. The election of new officers resulted as follows: Parley Eller, of Morgantown, president; Paul Gum, Charleston, first vice-president; Mrs. Daniel Rollins, of Central Station; second vice-president; Mrs. D. J. Biagi, of Huntington, secretary; Charles B. Deem, of Parkersburg, treasurer; R. Nevil Marshall, of Parkersburg, trustee for six years.

Romney was chosen as the next meeting place in 1937.

H. L. TRACY.

### Headlines and Copy

A St. Louis business man while recently in an Arkansas town found himself badly in need of hair-cut. After various and complicated instructions from the clerk of the hotel as to the whereabouts of the barber shop, the man managed to find the place.

When he entered the shop, the only person to be seen was an elderly man leisurely reading a newspaper. To his look of inquiry the St. Louis man announced the purpose of his visit.

"Hair-cut?" asked the barber. "Cert'ny, sir! Here, Johnny," he yelled to a boy on the step outside, "run over to Mr. Blank an' ask him, if he's done editing the paper, to send over my shears!"

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## Canadian News

News items for this column, and subscriptions, may be sent to Mrs. A. M. Adam, 5 Fairholt Road N, Hamilton, Ont., Canada.

### HAMILTON

The Sunday services in Centenary Church will reopen on September 9th, when Mr. Asa Forrester, of Dunnville, will take charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Taylor spent the week-end in Cookstown as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bell, and attended a corn roast on Labor Day.

The Misses Monica and Winifred Breen motored to the Toronto Exhibition on Labor Day with friends, and had a very enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gleadow, who were expecting their daughter, Peggy, to return from Toronto on Sunday evening were surprised when Mrs. Grooms arrived instead. Mrs. Grooms, however, explained that she would be exchanged for Peggy the following morning, when Mr. Grooms would call, on the way to London, with several passengers bound for the Springbank picnic on Labor Day.

The writer, accompanied by son and daughter, paid a visit to the Toronto Exhibition on Wednesday, September 5th, and had a very interesting time and had the pleasure of seeing, Pearce of Hamilton, winning the world championship in the sculling race, in competition with Miller, the United States champion.

We enjoyed inspecting the many lovely and interesting exhibits in the Women's building and electrical engineering building, but, of course, could not see half the exhibits in one afternoon and evening.

While the others were attending a radio broadcast, I went to see the electrical woman, "Alpha" and to tell the truth, I was rather disappointed in "her"! To judge from the advertisements of "her" powers, one would think "she" should do anything—from giving you breakfast in bed to bathing and dressing the baby and cooking and serving dinner, but "Alpha" has still a lot to learn! "She" seems to me to be just an animated radio! The hearing people present seemed to be very much amused at "her" answers to questions, and "Alpha" is certainly a new wonderful invention. "She" stands up and sets down and moves her head, arms and hands in a very natural manner. "Her" tongue moves when "she" speaks and can't "she" give you the "glad eye"! In the place where his appendix should be, there is a little thing like the balance wheel of a watch, which moves all the time while "she" is speaking or moving. Altogether, "Alpha" is well worth going a long way to see, but I think I will wait till "her" education is completed, before trying to acquire "her" for household use.

### KITCHENER, ONT.

Mrs. George Boulding and daughter, Miss Ruth Boulding, of Mount Forest, called to see Mrs. L. B. Moynihan lately. Miss Ruth is to be married to a Palmerston jeweler on September 15th. He is a splendid signmaker and loves to converse with the deaf.

Mr. Grimoldby, of Owen Sound, has been in the city lately looking for work.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris, of Toronto, have been in Simcoe for a week and are now visiting Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Golds, Sr., here.

Mrs. Absalom Martin and her four pretty little daughters have returned from a few weeks' visit to her mother in Toronto.

Mrs. L. B. Moynihan is on an extended visit to Miss Marybelle Russell, of Ailsa Craig, Ont., and reports that she is having a very nice time and admiring the beauties of the little Scottish village. Mrs. Moynihan noticed particularly a tree of Scottish origin, on which small red berries grow and asked the writer if "mountain ash" is the correct name for it. That is the right name, but we Scottish people call it the "Rowan

tree." It is said that the more thickly the tree is covered with berries, the harder the winter will be, as it is nature's way of providing food for the birds—especially for the robins, who are very fond of the red berries. This, however, would not apply in Canada as the robins don't stay all winter, as they do in Scotland.

A. M. ADAM.

## Florida Flashes

The following is reproduced from the Jacksonville *Times-Union* of September 3d:—

The State School for the Deaf and the Blind at St. Augustine begins the 1934-35 term September 12th, with an anticipated attendance of 340 pupils.

Coming from every section of Florida, pupils are expected to arrive Tuesday, September 11th, and regular classroom work will begin the next day.

Through co-operation with railroad officials, special coaches will be provided for the children coming from Pensacola, Miami, and Tampa. Miss Jewell Parnell will chaperone the children from Pensacola; Miss Pauline Rhodes the children from Miami, and Ralph Parks from Tampa. A. J. Williams will have charge of the transfer of the pupils at Jacksonville.

With a few exceptions, the faculty remains the same as last year. Several of the teachers took Summer school work during the vacation period. Miss Pauline Rhodes and Miss Helen Jones attended the University of Alabama; Miss Wahneeta Davenport attended Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and Miss Lucille Ferguson was at West Virginia Woman's College at Morgantown, W. Va. A new member of the faculty is Miss Jean L. Utley, of Delaven, Wis., who is a graduate of Washington University at St. Louis with a B.S. degree. She has had two years of experience as a teacher of the deaf.

The school plant is in the usual splendid condition. A number of improvements have been made, including building of a poultry plant at the school farm at Casa Cola.

The plant was erected by FERA labor, and 500 white Leghorn pullets have been purchased for the farm. Plans have been made to give some of the boys instruction in dairying, poultry-raising, and gardening, says Dr. C. J. Settles, president of the school.

Graduates of the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind are attending higher institutions of learning this year. Charles McNeilly of Miami, graduate of the deaf department; also Dan Long of Tallahassee and Florian Caliguiri of Tampa, of that department are attending Gallaudet College, Washington, D. C. From the department for the blind, Lucy Dent Smith of Miami, is attending Stetson University, and Ernest Shaheen, also of Miami, is attending University of Florida.

The city of Tampa has been agog during the latter part of August over the mysterious appearance of a New York man who claimed to be deaf and mute. James Anderson was found on one of the Tampa streets unconscious on the night of August 20th, thugged and robbed of money. Medical attention was given to him at a hospital. Efforts to make a check of his activities several days prior to this hold-up proved unavailing, until the story as published in the Tampa papers brought attention to the superintendent of the Munroe Memorial Hospital at Ocala who wired the following account: "James Anderson pulled same stunt here. Dismissed on sixteenth from hospital. Supposed to be deaf and dumb." A similar report from Kissimmee caused the Tampa police authorities to suspect the man of imposition, and after serving five-day sentence at the city stockade for destroying jail property in his cell, he was ordered to leave town which he did on Saturday, August 25th. Mr. Anderson is described as follows: Thirty-four years old, brown hair and sallow complexion, about five feet seven inches tall, and were khaki trousers and blue shirt. Claims to be a resident of New York City. Escaped from the state hospital at Hamlet, N. C., on August 10th."

Anthony Kihm, who died in Pueblo, Col., on June 19th, was a brother of George, now living in Delphos, O., after having retired from professional baseball years ago. Anthony was a cook at the State insane hospital in Kentucky for several years before folding up his tent and slipped out West without announcing his destination. Apparently it was his desire to live incognito and no Buckeye knew where he was living until recently when the deaf press chronicled his death. He

was sixty-three years old and unmarried.

Alfred Hubbell, who boards at the Dixie Home for Aged Deaf in Moultrie, is an inveterate fisherman. He has recently added to his growing equipment a new rowboat which enables him to go out farther than his accustomed rendezvous for bigger fish. Fishing is his hobby, and when biting is good, he provides the Home with fish. Despite his physical handicap, Mr. Hubbell's ability to catch fish is reckoned with.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Martin have returned to Florence Villa from a fortnight's sojourn in Georgia with their relatives and friends. Mr. Martin is a machinist at one of the packing houses in Florence Villa.

Bicycling in Winter Haven is popular these days. Mrs. Reginald Stonestreet has become devoted to this fad, and may be seen pedaling most any day from home to where the urge directs her. She also owns a coupe and drives it on special occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Randall, of DeLand, visited in the home of the latter's parents at Lakeland on Sunday, August 19th.

Vero Beach lost to Dado City in a matrimonial game. It has just been learned that Marvin Sessoms and Miss Florence Moore were married last May, the ceremony having been performed at Vero Beach. The happy newly-weds, who attended the St. Augustine school together, are making their home in Dado City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cory, Jr., returned home to St. Petersburg on August 15th from Connecticut and New York, where they visited relatives and friends, and after attending the National Association of the Deaf convention in New York City, they were in and around Long Island inspecting landmarks of their ancestors. Mr. Cory is a Fanwood product and later attended the Columbus school, where he met his present wife.

Robert Emmet Kelly has secured his former position in Jacksonville with his boss who, knowing the worth of his services, recalled him. Mr. Kelly will make weekend visits with Mrs. Kelly in Gainesville, instead of changing residences. While in Jacksonville he lives with his mother.

Miss Lona Mills, of Tampa, has been a house guest of her sister in Lakeland, and while there attended a service for the deaf on Sunday, August 12th.

As has been his annual pilgrimage, Lloyd E. Miles, of Palmetto, left at the close of the vegetable season for Georgia and other Northern points to work in the orchards and on the plantations during the summer season. He returned home last August.

Mrs. C. L. Jackson, accompanied by her daughter, toured a part of Florida during the month of July, and Miami was their last destination before they left for their home in Atlanta, Ga., on August 8th.

Walter Christian and P. R. Huff have forsaken their city abode and returned to their former country home, a few miles west of Orlando. Uncertainty of employment made the change of their habitation imperative. They are FERA workers.

Among the Ohioans whom Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cory, Jr., of St. Petersburg, had the pleasure of meeting at the New York City convention of the National Association of the Deaf were Mrs. Ardine Rembeck (nee Maud Walton), Mrs. Fred Schoneman (nee Grace Albert), A. B. Greener, and Dr. Robert Patterson. For the first time in many years L. J. Bacheberle was conspicuous by his absence, Mr. Cory stated.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Randall, whose home is in DeLand, left with Walter Dean, of Winter Haven, as traveling companion and car driver, for Georgia, where they camped last month. Later they traveled as far north as North Carolina before they returned home. Mr. Randall is employed in DeLand as a linotype operator-machinist. Mrs. Randall was before her marriage Miss Beulah Leach, of Lakeland.

An illustrated postcard has been received by the writer from Sidney King, who owns and looks after his ranch in Lindsay, Cal. He recently visited the city of Portland, Ore., famed the world over for rose festivals. Mr. King is well known in Florida, having been coming the past few years to enjoy its wonderful climate.

Mrs. Ezra Coate, of St. Cloud, left August 24th for Indianapolis, Ind., where she will spend several months with relatives.

The circulation manager of the Tampa *Times*, an afternoon paper, needing the services of a news agent in Wildwood, made an attractive proposition to C. W. Rush three years ago. To this day he has performed his task faithfully, and the list of subscribers is steadily growing.

Earnest Phillips, of Wildwood, attended services for deaf folks in Tampa on Sunday, August 26th, for the first time in many years. He is enthusiastic over this opportunity of enjoying religious and social meetings and will make regular visits whenever possible.

Used cars are disposed of at bargain prices in St. Petersburg. Harry Jacobs traded his antiquated car for a Chevrolet coupe that looks like new.

On account of the slump in advertising patronage, the offices of the Miami *News* and the Miami *Herald* had no other alternative than reducing the working force. It is hoped that this setback has not affected Max Kestner, formerly of Daytona Beach, who is subbing in the ad department of the *Herald* office.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tschiffely and Mrs. O. C. Daugherty, of Sarasota, were among attendants at the Methodist monthly services on August 26th. Mrs. Tschiffely is gradually recovering from injuries received in a car accident.

The St. Cloud *Tribune* publishes the following article, which no doubt will interest many friends of Frankie:

"Frank E. Philpott, Jr., who has spent the past two years in the Orient, where he was director of physical education at the International College, Smyrna (Izmir), Turkey, arrived in St. Cloud August 1st for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Philpott, Sr. Following his graduation from the University of Florida in 1932 with the degree of B. A. in Health and Physical Education, he accepted the position on the faculty of the International College, where he taught until the college, established fifty years ago, closed recently. When the college closed, he made a tour of Europe and went to Oxford, England, to attend the Oxford Group International house party. Mr. Philpott sailed from England on July 10th. \* \* \* He has accepted a position to coach in the Pensacola high school and left for that city."

During the week of August 26th Mrs. Reginald Stonestreet (nee Mary Jim Crump) and her young son, Jimmie, left in company with her father, Dr. J. E. Crump, for a two weeks' visit with relatives in Alabama. On returning home to Winter Haven, they will be accompanied by Mrs. Crump, who has been there for some time.

Michael Brown, a well-known ladies' tailor in New York City, expects to locate in Miami in November, provided he can obtain employment in a tailoring or dry-cleaning shop. F. E. P.

Two post-graduates from the Malone School for the Deaf were riding on a motorcycle from Malone to Tupper Lake. Casimer Tomasusnas 19, was driving and his classmate, Thomas Coughlin, 20, was riding in the side car. An automobile making a left-hand turn to pull up to a gas station got in front which confused Tomasusnas, who lost control of the machine and it overturned into a ditch. He jumped clear, but Coughlin was pinned beneath the machine, and died on the way to the Malone Hospital. Both boys graduated from the Malone School for the Deaf in 1933.



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With the close of the vacation season schools partake of the activity of beehives as the returning pupils swarm back to school. Gradually the pupils settle down to classroom work and evening studies. All, excepting always the drônes, are soon pushing forward with the work of the new term with more or less zest. Leaving home for school, after a long period of rest from school requirements, most of the children are ready and anxious to begin work.

At Fanwood everything was in order for the reception of its pupils; the prospects point to a busy, useful session of instruction and training, hopeful of pleasing results. Changes for the better are visible on all sides; preparations for the improvement and comfort of the children have been carefully worked out for increased benefit to the pupils. With its excellent system of instruction and regime, with experienced direction under competent instructors, we may anticipate that the work of the 117th year will produce good fruit in preparing the boys and girls for the day when they enter upon their duties as useful citizens, fully prepared to render a good account of themselves.

THERE were two events related to the national convention of the deaf, each a part of and yet somewhat separate from the gatherings at the convention hall. One of these was the culmination of an original idea, an international exhibition by deaf artists and craftsmen, which was held at the Roerich Museum on Riverside Drive from July 24th to August 11th. The Chairman of the Committee, Miss Eleanor Sherman, and her assistants, gave the fullest measure of their devotion, winning a most deserved triumph. It was a new element at a convention of the deaf, but the enthusiasm it awakened among art lovers generally and the economies the exhibit received must have amply repaid the committee for their strenuous work.

Of the exhibit, the art critics representing the local press made most favorable mention. The consensus of their opinions placed emphasis on the fact that the exhibition did not show the result of experimenting but rather the work of practicing artists, some of real distinction; that they were representatives of a large body of the deaf whose deafness had no bearing on the work displayed. It is proper to place them, regardless of circumstances, on a common ground with other painters and sculptors and craftsmen, and to judge their merits on equal level.

These critics considered that the exhibition should prove interesting to art devotees generally, comprising work in a variety of mediums from paintings, water colors, etchings and small sculpture in wood, stone and bronze, to miniatures in ivory, stained glass, photography and bookbinding. On the whole the display was appealing, and the international representation, involving eleven nations in addition to the United States, added greatly to its interest. America, with fifty-three artists, made the largest showing, France was next with twenty-seven artists. Germany had nine exhibits, while England, Belgium and Holland had three each. Canada and Italy had two, and Czechoslovakia had one. The diversity of medium was as remarkable as the scope, while the majority of the works were intrinsically commendable.

Some of the artists, notably the brothers Valentin and Ramon Zubiaurre, were mentioned as having achievements of outstanding fame. They showed twelve paintings in the Spanish group and were perhaps the most accomplished painters represented. Their paintings seemed more than any others to impart a rich native flavor which distinguished them from most of these artists. In the English group, small as it was, were two excellent contemporary works, one a splendid "Interior" by A. Reginald Thomson, having particular merit; Bilibin's dramatically patterned flight of steps, likewise called "Interior," was also meritorious. The French were free in their conceptions, Jean Hanau's still-lives and his "Columbine" were particularly engaging. However, the full French exhibit had not arrived on the day set for the opening. In such of the German exhibit as was on view, the works kept closer to the vein of caricature than fine art. Those of Burger were marked by a humor that is somewhat extravagant. Paintings by leading Belgian and Italian representatives showed a more realistic aim; they were generally of peasant subjects. This was also seen in the work of the Italian Ezio Olio Majoli, including studies of mendicants, and Albert Ratty, of Belgium, whose "La Moisson," a painting of a harvest scene, showed considerable freedom of style.

Of the American exhibitors it may be said that they showed good contributions. Kelly H. Stevens is singled out for his faithful rendering of the chromatic variations of Western canyons; Virginia Tanner is mentioned for her portrait of a man reading; John Carver for his wood sculpture of mountain animals; Jean P. Gruet, for a landscape appealing in its conventional interpretation of a winter wood. The water colors, prints and craftswork were varied, and formed a considerable portion of the display. Quite

a few of the artists, foreign and American, whose works are shown, have already received recognition as artists of ability. Will J. Quinlan, a member of the Society of American Etchers, is represented in the New York Public Library print collection, as is also the etchings of Cadwallader Washburn. Fernand Hammer, Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur, has erected several statues in Paris, and that of Rochambeau in Washington. Francois Grolard, another eminent sculptor, is represented in the National Museum of Modern Art in Spain. Others are Hans Arnheim, a winner of the Prix de Rome; Gustav Bruckner, stained-glass artist associated with Tiffany's and Vilem Hauner, widely known for his book bindings.

ANOTHER event was the Get-together Dinner of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, held at the Imperial Hotel, on the evening of Wednesday, July 25th.

Although hastily arranged to replace a noon luncheon, it proved to be a pleasing and enjoyable affair. It surprised the Committee to be able to gather so large an assembly of the Kappa Gamma and Owls fraternities at short notice. It was an Alumni reunion on a small scale, recalling the traditions of loyalty, fidelity, courtesy and scholarship so characteristic of Gallaudet. Covers were laid for eighty-five, the guests of honor being President Hall of Gallaudet, and at his side Prof. and Mrs. Skyberg, formerly of Kendall Green, and now at Fanwood.

At the proper moment President Roy J. Stewart of the Alumni Association, in well-chosen terms, invited Dr. Hall to address the assembly. He responded with his usual winning smile, and in genial humor expressed his pleasure in meeting so many whose youthful days were passed at Kendall Green, and who were renewing memories of college days, mellowed under the influence of the passing years. All had his best wishes for continued success in their various fields of endeavor, and he felt sure that there ever remains in their hearts sweet memories of the College and all connected with it. Prof. Skyberg was also called upon to address the Alumni, and spoke of his very pleasant remembrances as a professor at the College, and his good wishes for all connected with Kendall Green.

After reference to possible improvements in future films, President Stewart exhibited the College films on the screen, which were viewed with intense pleasure. They presented an illuminated exposition of college courses beyond the literary and scientific. It was a revelation to those whose memories harked back to the eighties when such opportunities were unknown. All in all it was a delightful evening, well spent and thoroughly enjoyed.

AT ITS Commencement last June, Center College, of Danville, Ky., conferred the honorary degree of Litt.D. upon George M. McClure, of the Kentucky school and editor of the *Kentucky Standard*. No deaf person ever received such an honor more deservedly. It is all the more creditable to both the college and the recipient that it comes from a college for the hearing distinguished for its high standing. It was a most fitting acknowledgment of the literary merits

of a deaf gentleman and scholar. To Dr. McClure we offer our sincere felicitations; he is a brilliant example of the quiet scholarly teacher and gentleman.

## Cleveland, Ohio

Rev. Collin S. Sawhill died in Birmingham, Ala., at the home of his daughter. Rev. Clarence Waters, of Detroit, Mich., may take his place as our missionary.

Rev. Sawhill left last June, in hopes of full recovery from the after effects of grippe in Alabama. It was reported that it was against the doctor's advice. He became missionary after Rev. Charles' death and has done his weekly services during the winters at St. Agnes Mission House, corner of 48th and Clinton Avenue, for about ten years.

A souvenir card of Detroit Yacht Club on Belle Isle, Mich., locates Hanna Schoch there, who reports of enjoying the change and sightseeing.

Dwight Helper is back, all browned after his summer experience in a Pennsylvania Agricultural pursuit.

The social life of different organizations in Cleveland was at a standstill during the summer. However, picnics were held at different places such as Wildwood Beach, Geauga Lake Park, Parma, Puritas Springs, and Euclid Beach, by the Sphinx Club, the Cleveland Frats, the Catholic Club, and the Young People Club. As reported, a good time was had by everyone. A corn roast festival was prepared by Misses Beebe at their mothers' home grounds at Dover, August 19th. A large crowd of Cleveland autoists and their passengers enjoyed this picnic. Cards were the main pastime and prizes were given in various outdoor games.

The Greater Cleveland Association of the Deaf meets on the last Friday evening of every month at the St. Agnes Mission. Every one is welcome to attend.

Max Marcossion claimed to have been much enlightened by his course of American History and Economics at the Western Reserve University and his talks could beat the Brain Trust.

A birthday reception was given in celebration of Martin Maynard being just fifty, at Mr. and Mrs. Herman Koelle's. In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. McKibben, Mrs. McClish, Mr. and Mrs. Adelson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hemstreet, and the hostess. Cards furnished the diversion for the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Koelle easily excelled at pinocle, hence won first prizes. The writer was surprised to win a prize on account of being almost new at the game. Delicious refreshments followed the card playing. The huge cake was dotted with five candles as symbols of ten years each. The pleasant affair broke up at an late hour with many pleasant wishes for many returns of his day.

Virgie Ashcraft is one of the first employees called back to work in Cleveland after the clothing factory finished in its improvements. She spent her six weeks' vacation visiting her relatives in West Virginia—the first real visit in six years.

Mr. Sam Kline, the art teacher of the Graham Bell School for the Deaf, and his wife were the last ones of the Cleveland crowd consisting of the Callahans, Hemstreets, Griffis and the others, attending the N. A. D. in New York City, who returned home to good old Cleveland. They enjoyed their experience in New York immensely and took advantage of all they could.

Several weddings and births were recorded, but the writer has not full information. Pret Munger is grandfather of two boys, the last being born last July to his daughter, Helen Jackson.

Martin Maynard spent his week's vacation with his almost century-old father in West Virginia.

Mr. Meade and his wife motored to spend their vacation visiting the World's Fair a couple of weeks ago.

S. H.



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### NEBRASKA STATE CONVENTION

The Twelfth Triennial Convention of the Nebraska Association of the Deaf opened its three-day session at Hotel Rome, Friday, August 31st. Registration started at 1 P.M. In the evening, the president, William E. Sabin called the meeting to order. Rev. Homer E. Grace gave the invocation. Mayor Roy N. Towl delivered the address of welcome. He praised the Association for the results it had achieved and extended a most hearty welcome to the city of Omaha. W. F. Cozad, President of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, also spoke. He said, "You have shown the finest degree of co-operation with the rest of us." He told how Dr. Alexander Graham Bell's experiments in an effort to make the deaf "see speech" led to the invention of the telephone. Both speakers received big ovations. Thomas Scott Cuscaden, former President of the Association, responded to both addresses of welcome.

A song, "Welcome to Omaha," was charmingly rendered by Miss Ruth Neujahr. One of the hearing speakers remarked that "the success of the remarkable battle being waged to put the deaf on an equal footing with the unhandicapped was demonstrated at the opening session." He said the business of the evening seemed to move more swiftly and smoothly than at gathering of groups where all in attendance can hear. Miss Dorothy Macek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karel Macek, was official interpreter. Announcements of committees were then made, Abe Rosenblatt, Chairman of the Local Committee, being the principal speaker. This was followed by a newsreel and reception. The second meeting opened Saturday at 9 A.M. with W. E. Sabin in the chair. The President gave his address, stressing the fact that efforts by the N.A.D. should be made to better the conditions at the Nebraska School, acquiring younger and more competent teachers. Reports of officers followed and a letter of greeting from Marcus L. Kenner, President of the National Association of the Deaf, was read. Hans Neujahr, Treasurer, gave a complete report, showing in every detail all receipts and expenditures.

The visit to the beautiful Joslyn Memorial Art Gallery proved most interesting. There was a lecturer there to explain everything. The Italian, Grecian, South American and other imported marble used in the walls, pillars, ceilings was exceptional and it is claimed the gallery is the most beautiful and expensive of its kind in America. The furniture, from Chinese, Italian, French to American, down from the fifteenth century, is very impressive.

The afternoon session scheduled at 2 P.M., was changed to 3 P.M. to allow the members to attend the funeral of John Clayton. Everyone was saddened by the little child's tragic death, which occurred Thursday. He is the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Arthur Clayton. Mr. Clayton is printing instructor at the Nebraska School. Mrs. Clayton and two sons were visiting friends at Benedict where Arthur, Jr., aged 8, accidentally shot his brother, who died instantly. The funeral chapel was packed to capacity with sympathetic friends and relatives and the floral tributes were beautiful, one being from the Nebraska Association. The white casket was covered with pink roses. John was a handsome, healthy little chap. The funeral services were interpreted by Miss Betty Cameron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Cameron of Delavan, Wis.

At the afternoon meeting, Owen Studv gave the Law Committee's report. There were few changes and it was voted to grant the new president \$25.00 for the three-year term. The secretary and treasurer

will be looked after later. The order of business was suspended to allow election of officers before the evident departure of some. Albert M. Kloppling was elected over Owen Study by a narrow margin. W. E. Sabin and Mrs. Edward Cady of Lincoln were chosen first and second vice-presidents, respectively, by acclamation. Harry G. Long was elected secretary also by acclamation and Owen Study was chosen treasurer.

In the evening came the banquet, the gala event of the convention. Some 93 jolly souls were seated at round tables. The speakers were seated at one long table on a raised platform. Everybody was happy and in high spirits. Superintendent and Mrs. F. W. Booth were there. Charles Falk was toastmaster and did well in the role. Tom L. Anderson, Industrial Principal of the Iowa School, gave a very impressive speech, which will appear in a later issue of the JOURNAL. His signs were clear, expressive and forceful. There were more than one that felt that most of his speech was inspired by the "New Deal." Perhaps it will help the Nebraska School contingent to strive for greater improvements. Mr. Anderson spoke on the injustice done the deaf by not putting them on an equal basis with the hearing public. Some of our schools' 12th grade only equals the 9th of the public.

The selection of the next meeting place was left in the hands of the Board of Directors. The Board is also to look into the matter of complaints pertaining to poor conditions in schools. Harry Swanson, Secretary of the State of Nebraska, was next on the program. He spoke of such a large banquet of cheerful and intelligent people, that the depression didn't seem to have much effect on them. He gave an interesting but brief outline of his work and said he hoped the Association would progress and benefit a good deal. Judge Herbert Rhoades of the District Court, next on the program, remarked that he could be proud of the deaf of Nebraska in the fact that not any had ever faced him. Harry G. Long closed the program of toasts with his usual rendition of the old yet ever-inspiring song, "Auld Lang Syne."

The floor partly cleared, a floor-show was staged. Martha Randall and her revue proved entertaining dancers, including a wee bit of a child of three or four years old. Owen Study with his unique and clever signs, rendered one of George Whiteman's parodies, "My Dog Loves Your Dog." Good music was played by the "Variety Rhythm Kings." Dancing till the wee sma' hours of the morn was greatly enjoyed by the crowd. Punch was also served throughout the evening and the Grill Room and "Home of the Big Bad Wolf" with its variegated drinks did a rushing business. Eugene Fry was a versatile master of ceremonies at the floor show.

Sunday at 9 A.M. President Sabin had to call the Convention in session for unfinished business. The Report of the Committee on Resolutions: S. Cuscaden, Chairman, A. Kloppling and Francis Dulaney, was given by A. M. Kloppling. Mrs. Blankenship gave the Report on Necrology and also a history of the Association founded in 1902, down to the present day. A committee on Promotion and Advancement of the Education of the Deaf, composed of Scott Cuscaden, Chairman, A. M. Kloppling and Ziba L. Osmun, was appointed by the convention to investigate conditions among the deaf to their advancement and management in all branches. A standing vote of appreciation was tendered the retiring officers.

Sunday afternoon the members and visitors went to Krug Park for a big picnic. Free admission, concessions and supper. It was too cool for swimming. Everyone left their dignity at home, even the school-marms and society matrons. Late in the after-

noon it started to rain cats and dogs, causing everyone to run to the Fun-House, where many amusing devices were enjoyed. Late that evening a box supper and beer and coffee were served, and what a fine lunch it was, prepared by the willing hands of Mr. and Mrs. Macek, Misses Della Page Ruth Neujahr, Chas. Falk and Joe Purpura. Abe Rosenblatt was in charge at the park, and if anyone worked as hard and willingly as he did, we have yet to hear of it.

The local committee consisted of Abe Rosenblatt, Chairman, Chas. Falk, Eugene Fry, Ruth Neujahr, Joseph Purpura, Mr. and Mrs. C. Macek, Mr. and Mrs. Delehoy, Misses Della Page and Dorothy Macek. Several games were played. The game of "Walking on Paper" was won by Nick Peterson and Mrs. Roy Stewart. The walking-race caused much amusement. Oscar Treuke won, but he fell and tore his trousers. Handkerchiefs were tied around men's arms. Each one's girl partner ran and untied same and ran back to starting point. This was won by Miss Ethel Nelson and Nick Peterson. Then guessing the amount of corn in a jar was won by Mrs. Duncan Cameron.

In the evening despite the steady rain, the crowd went to the Nebraska school auditorium in cars and enjoyed the warmth indoors and a fine movie, "The Lost Chord." Thus endeth the convention in a blaze of glory.

The Nebraska Association sent \$5.00 to the fund for deaf-blind Helen Siefert, aged 5 years.

Visitors coming from a distance were Mrs. A. L. Hurt and Mrs. Herbert Ellis, Los Angeles; Mrs. L. A. Divine and daughter, Hope, of Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Roy Stewart, of Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Duncan Cameron and daughter, Betty, of Delavan, Wis.

HAL AND MEL.

## Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Pabst are the proud parents of a son, born on September 4th. Mother and son are doing nicely, and "Daddy" is passing cigars and holding his head several inches higher. The Pabsts have another son and daughter.

The Misses Frances Brown, Cynthia Ackerman and Betty Locke have returned to the Rochester School for the Deaf, and several small children have returned to the Rome school.

Mr. Dennis Costello, the efficient chef at the Rome school, has returned from a several months' vacation, during which he took in the N. A. D. convention in New York City, the Century of Progress Exposition in Chicago and a convention of deaf from Northern New York, which was held in Buffalo. Mr. Myershoffer, of Boonville, was elected president of this association.

Mr. and Mrs. George Root spent their vacation with their son and daughter at Webster and Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Freeman, of Chicago, are vacationing at Eagle Lake, Wis. They go there every year so Mr. Freeman can escape from the ill-effects of hay-fever. They returned home September 7th.

The Syracuse Frats had a card party on September 8th after the regular business meeting, in the new clubrooms at 338 N. Salina Street. The new place far surpasses the old quarters in the Larned Building. A housewarming was held there on August 11th, and everyone was loud in praises of the new quarters.

Rev. H. C. Merrill opened his fall schedule of services on September 2d at Trinity Church in Syracuse. He also held a morning service and Communion at 10:30 A.M., September 9th.

Mrs. Robert Conley has returned from a several months' stay with her parents at Phelps, N. Y.

Miss Mary Hinchey, who spent most of the summer with her brother, Tom, and family, has returned to her duties at the school for the deaf in Buffalo.

Instead of taking a camp for the summer as in former years, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee spent many happy hours in their motor launch on the Seneca River, and had many of the deaf of Syracuse as their guests.

The Misses Betty and Mary Locke spent the summer at their camp on beautiful Otisco Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sears and children spent their vacation in motor trips to Tupper Lake, Little Falls and Binghamton, N. Y.

PITTI SING.

## Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. Walter Carl and Mrs. Hubert Bromwich have both been hostesses to the Kicuwa Club recently, each having entertained the club at their home.

Recently the older deaf people had an outing at the farm of Mr. Peter Gusbettel, of Cheektornoga, N. Y. They spent a most enjoyable day there.

Mrs. Mamie Steinbach, of Buffalo, spent a few days in Rochester, the guest of Miss Sarah Bernstein.

Several from Buffalo and nearby suburbs attended the Frat picnic in Rochester on Labor Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony H. Ynosch spent Labor Day in Salamanca, N. Y., the guest of his brother.

Little Ralph Spaulding, of Randolph, N. Y., has been spending several weeks with his aunt, Gladys Grover.

Miss Eleanor Atwater entertained the Kicuwa Club at her summer cottage at Olcott Beach recently. Several friends from Rochester also attended. Mrs. Huber Bromwich was chairman, and had several amusing games and prizes to offer. The club had a most enjoyable time. Miss Atwater is a most gracious hostess.

The League for the Hard of Hearing held an outing at Elma Park recently. It is a lovely spot outside Buffalo and holds many interesting things, a swimming pool among them.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. F. DeWitte, of Albion, N. Y., called on Mr. and Mrs. Huber Bromwich one Sunday recently.

Mr. John Burmeister, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has been the guest of his nephew and sister at their farm in Ebenezer, N. Y., and also called a several of his deaf friends' in Buffalo. On his return trip he went by rail to Syracuse, N. Y., and from there traveling on the bus to Albany, then by boat to Poughkeepsie.

Our deaf circle held a big outing August 9th, at the farm of Mr. Peter Gusbettel at Cheektornoga, N. Y. This will be the last round-up of the season. Card parties start soon.

The Frat's will soon be holding their parties again in their hall on Fillmore and LeRoy. Your co-operation will be welcome. Dates later.

Kicuwa Club sisters, brothers and friends, attention now, please, as our parties begin. Your presence again most earnestly we ask. Later the dates will be announced.

G. G.

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## PHILADELPHIA

The Forty-eighth Convention of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf and the Ninth Reunion of the Alumni Association of the Pennsylvania School for the Deaf passed into history. By and large, more than a thousand persons were in attendance at the Mt. Airy School during the three-day jamboree, and, to be sure, most, if not all, went home well repaid for their visit.

The writer having been there for the convention, shall now deal with what took place, for the benefit of those who could not be present, and to bring up reminiscences for those who were there.

To begin with, Friday evening, August 31st, started off with a joint meeting of the P. S. A. D. and the Alumni Association. Dr. Elbert A. Gruver, Supt. of the Mt. Airy School, delivered the opening address of welcome and extended the freedom of the school to the Conventioneers. His speech was ably interpreted by Mr. Joseph Lippsett, hearing son of our own Mr. William Lippsett, in the sign-language. Speeches by Mr. Edwin C. Ritchie, President of the P. S. A. D., and Rev. Edward F. Kaercher, President of the Alumni, followed.

After the meeting, an informal reception was held and ice-cream and cake were served to all present.

Saturday morning was devoted to the business meeting of the P. S. A. D. With most of the routine business out of the way, the election of officers resulted as follows:

President, Edwin C. Ritchie, Mohnton, Pa.; First Vice-President, Frank A. Leitner, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Second Vice-President, H. Ray Snyder, Nazareth, Pa.; Secretary, Henry J. Pulver, Philadelphia, Pa.; Treasurer, Charles A. Kepp, Philadelphia, Pa.; Board of Managers (term expires 1937) E. C. Ritchie, Mohnton, Pa., J. V. Donohue, Philadelphia, Pa., B. Teitelbaum, Pittsburgh, Pa., H. S. Ferguson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Saturday afternoon, after dinner, everybody present repaired to the school grounds and had their picture taken in a group. The picture turned out very well and many were taken home as souvenirs of the Convention.

At precisely 3 o'clock, the baseball game between the Silent A. C. and Southwest Arrows took place. The deaf boys lost to their hearing foes, 8 to 2. The game itself was a hum-dinger and from the start to near the finish, it was anybody's game, witness the score by innings:

Southwest	1	0	0	0	2	0	4	0	1	—8
Silent A. C.	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	—2

The Grand Charity Ball took place in the evening at Gilpin Hall, beautifully decorated for the affair. It attracted the largest crowd ever, and all were amply repaid with the program furnished. Intermingled with dancing to a first-class music orchestra, there were several floor shows offered. Nearing the close of the evening, the crowning of Miss P. S. A. D. took place, and the five judges (I am sorry to say I do not know who they were, and what's more, nobody else knew, save the chairman of the Ball, and he won't tell) selected Miss Elizabeth Hassett, of Philadelphia, as Queen. She was called upon the stage and presented with a beautiful bouquet of roses and a crown was put on her head. Many private parties were staged after the ball was over that night.

Chapel services were held by the two ministers, Rev. Henry J. Pulver and Rev. Edward F. Kaercher, in the chapel on Sunday morning, with a large crowd present for the worship.

In the afternoon, many of the Conventioneers repaired to the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf at Torresdale by bus and auto. Another group took in the ball game at Shibe Park.

Sunday evening, the business meeting of the Alumni Association took place and the officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President, H. J. Cussack, Philadelphia; First Vice-President, Miss

Martha Bauerle, Philadelphia; Second Vice-President, A. Messa, Philadelphia; Treasurer, R. T. Young, Philadelphia.

At the conclusion of the meeting, moving pictures, through the kindness of Messrs. Stauffer and Luden, were flashed on the screen for the enjoyment of everybody.

Monday rolled around all too soon, and with it came the rain that tended to dampen things somewhat. The baseball game in the morning was called off and the field events in the afternoon was likewise, too. The Baby Parade, under the sheltering roof of Gilpin Hall, was staged as the last event of the Convention. Many proud offsprings of the Conventioneers did their stuff for the benefit of the judges, Mrs. Paul Barnes, Mrs. Harry Jarvis, Mrs. John Bessusparis and Mr. Hans Hanson and Spencer Hoag. After the votes were counted, it was found that little Joan McGinley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. McGinley, of Philadelphia, took first prize in the one-to-two-year-old-class. Martha Frederick captured first prize in the two-to-four-year-old-class, and Ellen Cussack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Cussack, took the honors in the four-to-six-year-old division. Each of the winners were suitably awarded with prizes.

With the conclusion of this, the crowd started to dwindle away. By evening everybody was gone, and the school was closed to prepare for the opening of the school year on September 11th. Thus concluded one of the best conventions ever, and now to prepare for the next one next year, place not yet announced.

### CONVENTION CHIRPS

New York City and State sent over a large delegation to the Convention. What's a convention without a New Yorker in it?

Eddie Hyett, the genial owner of the deaf-mute bar in Atlantic City, spent two days here.

George King was all worn out from his duties as registrar of the Convention. Though, he says, what little he saw, he enjoyed immensely. Good ole Georgy!

Mr. Albert Berg could be seen with a crowd around him, cracking jokes daily.

Sunday evening more than a hundred showed up at the Democratic Club in Manayunk, where a show was staged for them.

Finis A. Reneau had the novelty of attending his first convention here. Though he is a man who has traveled far and wide, this was his first taste of it.

Eight of the ten members of the Class of 1920 were present. It looked like a reunion to them.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Leitner, on an extended auto tour that took them to Denver and Chicago besides other places, left Monday morning for Baltimore, Washington and Winchester, Va.

Many of the Conventioneers spent Sunday at the seashore, notably Atlantic City and Wildwood.

The two demon photographers, Messrs. Stauffer and Luden, were snapping pictures right and left during the Convention.

We missed the usual crowd from Pittsburgh. Not many showed up from that way.

Joe Donohue is walking around with a smile on his face. The success of the Convention is the cause of it. He was the major-domo of it, in other words, the big shot.

One of the hard-workingest boys at the Convention was good old Israel Steer. If he was not human, people would think he was a truck horse, the way he obliges everybody.

Jim Jennings, our funny man, kept everybody in good humor. We will say this for him: "What's a convention without Jim?"

Fatty LaRocco, the new boys supervisor at the school, put in some practice by ordering his cronies to do this and that.

Thanks are due to Miss Margaret Mock for designing and making the crown which was used to put on Miss P. S. A. D.'s head.

Some people thought they were funny by signing false addresses in the book, such as Paris, Sweden, Finland and Africa. We know that the bug-houses are full to capacity.

Hughey Cussack did a good job of umpiring the ball game. Both teams were well satisfied with his decisions, especially Bob Mahon.

Ray Snyder brought a small table, which he had made himself, to show anybody what he can do. Ray wants it known that he is a first-class cabinet-maker.

Mrs. Bertha Gebhardt (*nee* Lapinski), of Cleveland, Ohio, paid the school her first visit in fourteen years. Her old school friends kept her from getting lonesome by renewing acquaintances.

When an irresistible force meets an immovable body—it perhaps caused the absence of Rev. Warren M. Smaltz, the Pennsylvania deaf missionary. The September 6th issue of the JOURNAL, (Pennsylvania News) tells us how his new V8 was side-swiped by a truck and wrecked.

Conventions come and conventions go, but Johnny Roach goes on forever!

H. F.

## OHIO

News items for this column can be sent to Miss B. Edgar, 56 Latta Ave., Columbus, O.

Word was received last week that Reverend Collins Stone Sawhill died August 29th, at the residence of his son-in-law in Birmingham, Ala., and was buried there, August 31st. Friends here learned of his death Sunday and while all knew he was in poor health, none thought him so near death.

Mr. Sawhill, aged seventy-seven, was born in Taylorstown, Penna., and his folks moved into Ohio when he and his brother, William, were quite young. Later both entered the Ohio School, but William left when fourteen years old to help his mother. Collins remained and after graduating, entered Gallaudet College. After years of service in the Carnegie Steel Works he was retired on a pension and was very proud of the medal awarded him by the company in Pittsburgh. Later he became a layreader in the Episcopal Church and as he was a good signer and interesting talker was well liked. He was located in Cleveland. His only daughter died a little over a year ago and Collins never got entirely over that. He was buried beside his much beloved daughter. His widow and a step-daughter, Miss Payne, survive, as does his brother, William, of Pittsburgh. Just after the Ohio reunion, Mr. Sawhill and his wife went to Alabama to make their home with Mr. Sawhill's son-in-law. Mr. Sawhill was a good man and much liked by the Ohio deaf. He attended the reunions always. He will be greatly missed.

When Mr. A. B. Greener was in New York attending the N. A. D. convention, he had the pleasure of having Mr. Charles Fay call at the hotel to see him. Mr. Fay is the son of that much-loved Supt. G. O. Fay of the Ohio School many years ago. Mr. Chas. Fay is a lawyer in New York City and knew Mr. Greener well when both were boys. Mr. Greener felt much honored to be so remembered by him.

The Frats' picnic at the Ohio Home was not so well attended as had been hoped. It was a fine day, too, but other attractions drew folks elsewhere. Those present had a good time. Quite a number came

from distant points. Mr. Jacobson and Mr. LaFountain produced some novel games to amuse folks.

In the chicken race for men prizes were won by Lynn Miller and Harry Case.

Misses Izora Sutton and Virginia Thompson were winners in the four-legged race.

Mr. Lynn Miller won the 50-yard dash, running backwards.

In the walking Spanish race, Mrs. Charles Miller (the bride) and Miss Sutton won.

Then came the barrel tilt and Mr. Offenberger and Mr. McMillen were victors after many made trials.

Miss Dorothy Winemiller won the prize in the marble race and her mother was one of the racers.

Mr. L. Miller and J. Schwartz proved the best performers in the buck race.

The contests were very novel to most of us.

Looking over the crowd, I noticed Mr. and Mrs. Goeltz, of Wapakoneta; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Neillie, of Cleveland, who were on their way home from a few days' visit in Chicago; Mr. H. Duning, of Cincinnati, who was the guest of Mr. E. Jell; Mr. Meizner and Mr. Clark, of Upper Sandusky; Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Ayers, of Akron; Mr. and Mrs. Pershing, Mrs. Redington, Mrs. Kisler and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, of Springfield; Mr. R. Conkling, of Versailles; Mr. and Mrs. Sawhill, of Pittsburgh, who had just come from the West Virginia reunion at Romney; Mr. L. Bacheberle, of Cincinnati; Fred Sutton and sister, Izora.

We heard that the younger son of Rev. U. Read, of Cincinnati, suffered the loss of one hand in the machinery where he was working.

Miss Bessie McGregor, at last, bid goodbye to her Chicago friends and arrived home September 1st. Her friends were glad to see her again. She said that she had a delightful visit in Chicago and every one was so kind to her. We suspect Mrs. Roberts misses her greatly.

Mr. A. Ohlemacher has kept the wolf from his door during the vacation by acting as an umpire in some baseball league in Columbus. Mrs. Ohlemacher was hostess for the August birthday party at the Home on August 29th.

Messrs. Neutzling and Reynolds have been painting in Wornstaff Hall at the Home for a few week. Mr. Neutzling is foreman of the shoe shop at the school, but is quite an expert at painting, too, and when vacation comes he always finds something to do.

Mr. George Kinkel, of the Home, accompanied the Ohio Farmer's trip again this summer. He has gone with this personally conducted party for four years and has traveled through many sections of the country. This year the party went through Canada, taking in the Toronto Centennial. He seemed greatly pleased with the trip and said all in the party were so kind to him.

When Mr. and Mrs. Sawhill motored from Pittsburgh to Romney, they had Mr. Pat Gilmore for their driver. They met Miss Cora Uhl there and she was expecting to be girls' supervisor at the Romney School. She held a like position in the Ohio School some years ago, but gave up because of her health.

Miss Katherine Toskey is spending the last two weeks of her vacation with Mr. and Mrs. L. Bacheberle in Covington, Ky.

Mrs. William DeSilver (Bessie DeFrees), of Cincinnati, was a recent guest in Columbus of Mrs. B. Miller. Mrs. Miller spent a few days last week in Pittsburgh with a niece.

E.

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## The Defeat of the Flying Duck

By Franklin Welles Calkins

"Yes," replied Bonhomme, in answer to my query, "we had thievery to contend with often in the fur traffic, and sometimes lost furs or freighted goods to considerable value.

"The boldest attempt at stealing known to all my trading experience was the scheme of running off with the entire cargo of a steamer. This was made by the captain and crew of the boat *Flying Duck*, and came within an ace of success.

"The *Duck* was the first to reach our post that spring. We noted that she had a new captain and pilot, but thought nothing of this incident of change, which was not infrequent. The boat was small and of light draft, and as we had done a great trade in buffalo hides that winter, we were able to load her. We put our junior clerk, Joe Amor, aboard, and as the *Duck* promised another trip before fall, three of our fur trappers took passage, bound for a visit at St. Louis.

"The passengers were our clerk, Barefoot Kelly, and two brothers named Langsey. The crew consisted of pilot and six ordinary roustabouts, one of whom acted as engineer. They appeared to be a jolly lot of fellows, and there was no act or word among them to cause suspicion until the boat reached Woodup Island, about three hundred miles below our post.

"While the *Duck* was taking on wood, our men went on shore to stretch their legs. There was but one chopper at the wood camp, and as he labored with the crew, there was no one to visit with, so our men finally got their rifles and whiled away the time shooting at a mark. It was no doubt owing to this trivial incident that our company was saved the loss of a cargo of furs and hides worth more than thirty thousand dollars.

"Amor and the trappers were still amusing themselves when they heard the steamer's engine grunting, and turning their attention, discovered that she had finished loading and was laboring to back out of a rather difficult landing.

"The passengers hurried toward her, supposing they had been forgotten for the moment, and as they did so, they passed the woodchopper, who stood staring at them with a queer look in his face.

"There was yet opportunity to run and leap aboard the *Duck* without need for her to stop work. Our men sped forward, and you can imagine their surprise when captain and crew rose from behind the piled-up wood with guns presented.

"Keep off! Keep off, or you're dead men!" was the savage command hurled at them.

"Of course, they obeyed at that close range; and they understood instantly that they were to be left helpless while that rascally outfit ran off with a cargo of furs.

"See you later!" shouted one of the thieves, derisively, as their boat cleared and the *Duck* began to swing off into the current.

"Barefoot Kelly's gun was loaded, as was that of one of the Langsey boys. When the steamer was still within easy range, Barefoot turned to his fellows. 'Get behind the wood-piles quick as lightning,' he jerked out, 'then shoot into that pilot-house!'

"Amor, who had a six-shooter at his hip, sprang with the trappers to cover; and in a twinkling their guns spat bullets at the single board siding of the pilot's quarters.

"The crew replied to their fire, and bullets flew back and forth until rifles and Colts were emptied. Whether the pilot had been hit was a matter for speculation. His cabin was entered by a stairway which could not be seen from our men's point of view. It seemed, however, to the deserted passengers that the *Duck's* course was wavering for a minute or two; then she steadily bore away down-stream.

"The men were, of course, enraged beyond measure, enraged the more because of their seeming helplessness. While they were standing looking after

the steamer in sullen silence the wood-chopper approached them.

"Men," he said, "I saw what was comin' too late to warn you. Now the only thing to do is to make a raft—my partners have got our boat up White River—and get down to Fort Pierre as quick as you can. Mebby you can catch a steamer there, or meet one goin' down, that'll unload and chase them villains. Come on, I've got rope enough to string some few logs together."

"And instantly our fellows grabbed at the chance and went into action. In an hour they had three dry cotton-woods tied together, and paddles made for propelling. The wood-chopper wanted to go with them, but they had no more rope, and the raft would barely keep dry feet for four of them.

"So the deserted ones left him grinding his teeth—for of course the *Duck* had not paid for its wood—and sped down the Missouri. By vigorous work with the paddles they were able nearly to double the speed of the current.

"It was about eleven o'clock in the forenoon when they set out on their well-nigh hopeless chase, and, without food, they worked like beavers until sunset. A couple of loons, shot from the raft, furnished them a dry and unpalatable supper, and they pushed on, making not less than eight miles an hour until about midnight.

"At this time they discovered lights on the river below, and for a moment believed that they were about to hail an up-river boat. Then they saw that the lights were stationary, and a cautious approach within the shadows of a bluff showed them the *Flying Duck* fast aground. This seemed proof positive that her pilot was disabled, for the river was high, and no competent pilot would have run so light a boat aground unless he did it deliberately.

"Our men kept out of sight of the crew, who were out in the shallows evidently trying to 'jack up' her bows, and running their raft ashore and concealing it, went into hiding to watch. They could have slipped by and gone on, but all had the feeling that the *Duck* was stuck for an unloading.

"They were right. Long before daylight the steamer's lanterns were seen plying between her and the opposite river-bank. The *Duck* had two large rowboats, and these were conveying her heavier freight, some twenty tons of buffalo hides, ashore.

"Very soon the pursuers were on the move. They went to their raft and shoved off, drifting across the river in darkness, about a mile below the stranded steamer. Then they made their way cautiously above and took to some bushes very near to where the freight was landed.

"The rowboats piled steadily for hours, and meantime, as daylight came on, several men could be seen shifting wood ranks from bow to stern of the *Duck*.

"Finally the heavier ducks were pretty much stacked on a low bank two or three feet above the water's edge, and while the balance of the crew was busy under the steamer's bows, three men were left ashore with the hides—whether to guard them or not did not appear.

"These men sat dozing and smoking, while those in hiding whispered together, forming a plan for their capture. Presently trial was made of Barefoot Kelly's suggestion. This man could mimic quite successfully the calls of a number of wild animals. He crawled away stealthily to a little distance, and presently the shrill, warning whistle of an antelope was heard.

"This was repeated two or three times, and then his mimicry was rewarded by the appearance of a hunter stealing over the slight rise which, with its bushes, had offered concealment to the watchers.

"The man, peering keenly ahead, slipped from bush to bush, until, in the twinkling of an eye, three rifle-barrels gleamed in his face, and a warning to drop his gun and lie down was hissed in his ear. He lost no time in heeding, and in the time it takes to

tell, he was with hand and foot, and gagged into the bargain. He was then chucked into concealment, and the plotters awaited inactive for a time.

"It was a half-hour or so later that his shore companions came sauntering over the rise. They had been talking in low tones, but now one raised his voice in protest.

"Tell ye nothin' ain't happened to him, Bill. He's jest stalkin' an antelope. Here, come down here and you'll see where he's crawled off to, likely.' They came on, following their comrade's tracks to where he had been made to lie down, and then found themselves surrounded and covered as he had been.

"Not a word out o' ye if ye vally life!" whispered Barefoot Kelly, and three minutes later the men were all lying helpless and speechless. Next the three trappers exchanged woolen shirts and head-gear with them. And when they'd made their new toilet the three strolled back unconcernedly, and seated themselves among the bales of hides.

"Amor, who lay in hiding on the little rise, some thirty yards away, watched operations at the steamer with anxiety. In an hour or so the *Duck* was able to back off the shifting quicksands, and she slowly and awkwardly swung round and came on to make a landing.

"Presently Amor could look in at the open window of the pilot's cab and see her captain at the wheel. With the pilot disposed of, the boat's crew and the liars in wait were equal in numbers—and on the board the *Flying Duck* were the company's most valuable bales of beaver fox and other furs. Amor's breath came quick and fast in a growing excitement. All depended now on the adroitness of his three plucky trappers.

"Knowing just what movement to expect, Amor trained his rifle on the pilot. The boat was drifting awkwardly at the bank, and two of the crew stood well out on her bow to cast off her rope.

"These cried to their supposed mates on shore to stand by to make fast to a tree. The trappers, leaning back among the bales and half-concealed, paid no attention until the boat had come so near that it would be impossible for her to sheer off without touching the bank. Then they leaped to their feet and sprang forward, with rifles leveled.

"At the signal Amor, too, ran swiftly up, holding his gun on the pilot's cabin, where the captain saw in a twinkling what had happened, and froze in his tracks. He rang three bells to his engineer, but his order came too late. The *Flying Duck* bumped against the bank, and his late passengers jumped aboard to face him and what was left of his crew on the cleared fore-deck, and without arms. They glared like trapped wolves shorn of their fangs, but they were quickly disposed of. The pilot was found on a bunk with a punctured shoulder, and the man at the engine made no resistance.

"Our men managed the boat to Fort Pierre, where they waited for a pilot, and then went on to St. Louis, delivering their prisoners to the authorities there.

"It turned out that the *Flying Duck* had been leased, ostensibly for the fur traffic, but really to make one grand haul and get away with it. Her capture, under the circumstances, was certainly a notable exploit, and I am glad to say that Amor was promoted, and the others rewarded somewhat as they deserved."

## Sundry

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Stafflinger, of Alhambra, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pantley, of Alhambra, Calif., arrived in Yellowstone National Park last week. They will visit Yellowstone Grand Canyon, Old Faithful and Mammoth Hot Springs during their stay in the park.

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Jere V. Fives, President, 32 Lenox Road, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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## SOCIALS AND ENTERTAINMENTS FOR 1934

October 27th.—Hallowe'en Party, Mr. D. Aellis.

November 24th.—Social and Games, Miss E. Anderson.

December 26th.—Christmas Festival, Mr. C. B. Terry.

MRS. HARRY LEIBSOHN, Chairman  
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Red Hot Facts

Editor, Deaf-Mutes' Journal:

I note with regret Troy Hill's recent statement in the JOURNAL in "A Call To Arms," of his hinting that the New York City convention was "Tammanyized."

The convention was a clean-cut meeting and the elections were likewise honest, run according to law and without being stampeded, as Troy Hill says.

I have gathered the following facts for your consideration—let them speak for itself: There were close to 700 registered—exactly 33 states were represented, aside from foreign visitors. Exactly 311 votes were cast, of this number 134 were proxy votes held by the following persons: Mr. Troy Hill 46, Messrs. Kruger and Sturtz a total of 52, Mr. A. L. Sedlow 36. All these proxies with the exception of about seven were from other parts of the country other than New York. Taking 134 proxies leaves a total of 177 votes cast by those present. There were 13 delegates from Texas alone, 3 from Georgia, over 20 from southern states, besides 5 or more delegates from each eastern state.

No one can honestly say that New York City held a decided edge on the voting. I dare say, less than 50 votes were cast by New York City residents. Now! who, in the face of these facts can lift a finger and say the election was Tammanyized?

Personally, I made every effort to elect a Texas delegate, Troy Hill, for Secretary-Treasurer, as were several other non-residents, but they were defeated, not by the New York vote, but mostly from out-of-town delegates. If Tammany is still in your hair, give it a fine combing and get rid of any such notions—those are the facts and anyone hinting at any underhand tactics is doing more harm to the N. A. D. than to anyone else personally or otherwise.

The above is past history now—ahead of us is a great deal of work that must be done—and only hard work is going to get us where we should be. If only those who have been wondering and worrying about the N. A. D. will buckle down and lend a hand, a lot of good can be done.

A New Deal for the N. A. D. is at hand and from talks with the officials, we should expect to hear of a lot of activity soon—for the betterment of the N. A. D.

Here's hoping even the Dixie Association of the Deaf will fall in and co-operate with us, for I personally know that these same new N. A. D. officials are very anxious to see both organizations united—for strength and security, for the common good of us all!

Looking forward for a united deafdom and hoping all your readers join me in wishing the new administration every success.

J. M. EBIN.

Bronx, N. Y.  
Aug. 28, 1934.

Theatre Guild Notes

Mr. Emerson Romero, the parent of the Theatre Guild idea, has been hard at work the last few months writing out and staging the production of the Guild's first show, the "Varieties" to be presented October 13th, at the Heckscher Theatre, Fifth Avenue and 104th Street. Mr. Romero has written seven full sketches and skits himself. The remaining six scenes will be composed of "blackouts" and playettes, of which two have been bought. The well-equipped stage at the Heckscher Theatre will be manned by probably the largest staff of stage-hands and assistants yet used for a production by the deaf, as the scenery and props to be used will exceed that of the ordinary stage show. It is hoped that the stage crew used for this show will form a nucleus for a permanent stage crew to be trained to handle scenery in a professional manner. A large cast has been chosen for the

show and rehearsals will begin in the near future.

Mr. Jere V. Fives, president of the Ephpheta Society and editor of "The New Ephpheta," is the latest to become a member of the Theatre Guild of the Deaf. Mr. Fives is a prominent worker among the deaf of New York and has been a leader in the organization and activities of the Ephpheta Society. He has accepted a tentative nomination for membership on the Board of Directors.

Mr. Henry Stein, Jr., who together with his wife, Dorothy, was one of the first to join the Guild, has accepted the difficult and responsible position of chief prop man.

The membership list of the Guild to date numbers more than twenty-seven and includes, besides the three co-directors, the following: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Friedwald, James Quinn, Mrs. Culmer Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stein, Jr., Marcus Kenner, Maybelle Lieberz, Belle Peters, Mrs. Henry Plapinger, Jack Ebin, Gustine Sadler, Emanuel Souweine, Alan Crammattee, G. Alden Donham, Lester Cohen, Charles Joselow, Moses Loew, Mr. and Mr. Edgar Bloom, Jere V. Fives, Minnie Regenbogen, Malvin Bala-caier, Nancy Tyree, and Eva Segal. Mrs. Julie Schicle has become a honorary associate member.

Guess Again

An old lawyer tells, in the Brooklyn Eagle, this story one of his experiences, years ago, in cross-examination. The witness seemed to be disposed to dodge his questions.

"Sir," said the lawyer sternly, "you need not state your impressions. We want the facts. We are competent to form our own impressions. Now, sir, answer me categorically."

From that time on he could get little more than "yes" and "no" out of the witness. Presently the lawyer said:

"You say you live next door to the defendant?"

"Yes."

"To the north of him?"

"No."

"To the south?"

"No."

"Well, to the west, then?"

"No."

"Ah," said the lawyer, sarcastically, "we are likely at last to get down to the one real fact. You live to the east of him, do you?"

"No."

"How is that, sir?" the astonished attorney asked. "You say you live next door to him. Yet he lives neither to the north, south, east nor west of you. What do you mean by that, sir?"

"I thought perhaps you were competent to get the impression that we live in a flat," said the witness, calmly; "but I see I must inform you that he lives next door above me."

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